IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Steven SOREM
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TC/Art Unit : 3688

Examiner: : Saba DAGNEW

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Customer No. : **21967**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action mailed October 24, 2011, a restriction requirement was imposed between the pending claims of the above application, specifically that restriction to one of the following groups is required:

- I. Claims 71-81; and
- II. Claims 82-84.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, comprising claims 71-81. This election is made without traverse. Claims 82-84 are hereby cancelled without waiver or disclaimer as being part of the unelected Group. Appendix A contains a listing of the pending claims.

Applicant respectfully disputes the statement regarding a telephone call to the undersigned on October 19 as stated in the Office Action at page 5. A review of the missed call log on the undersigned's phone shows a call from the Examiner's number was received at 6:04 pm on October 19. The call was not answered. No message was left however indicating the